

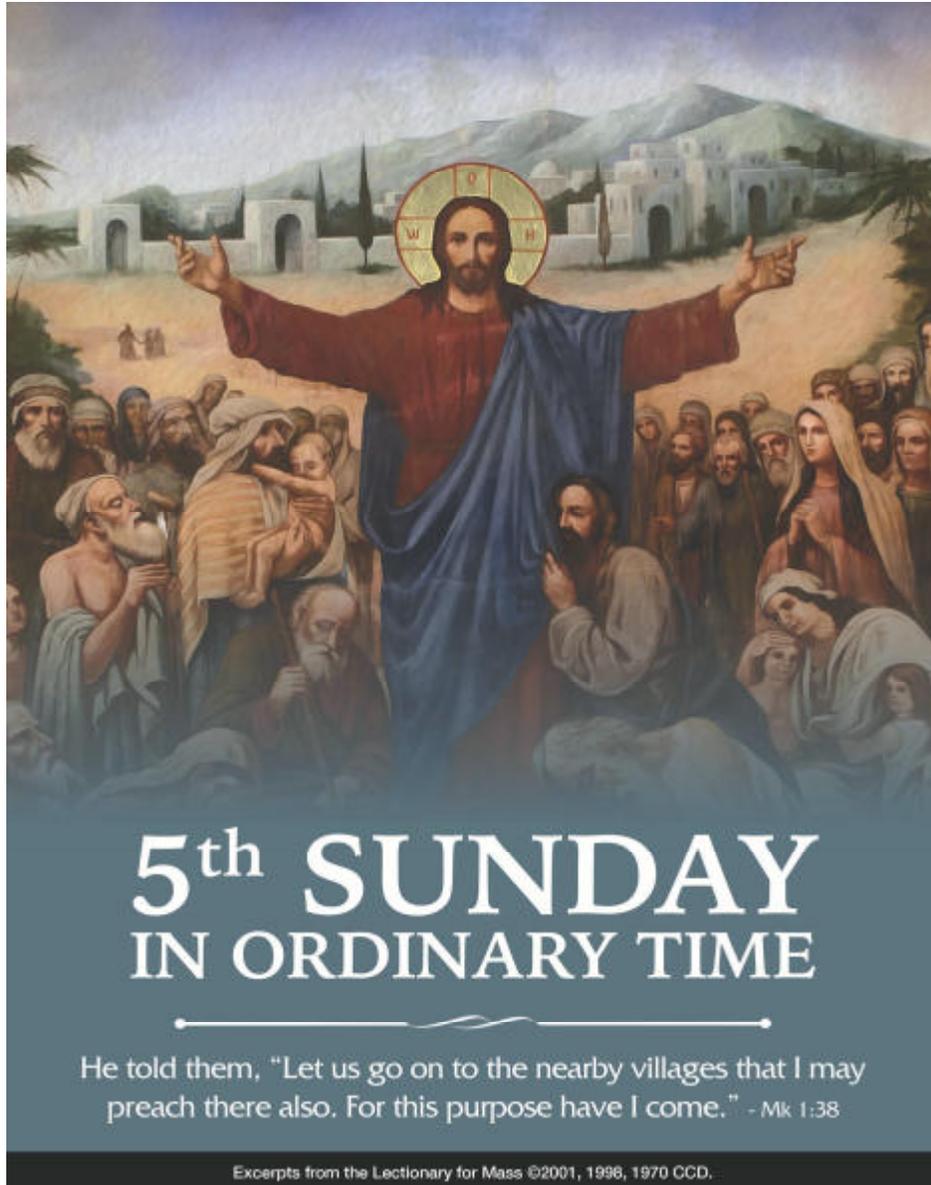
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# COURAGEOUSLY *Living the Gospel* *Vivir VALIENTEMENTE el Evangelio*

February 7, 2021 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time **Preach, teach and heal**

*“He approached, grasped her hand, and helped her up.” – Mark 1:31*

One of the many things that was taken away from us during the pandemic was the ability to physically touch one another. We could no longer hold hands at Mass or hug or shake hands at the sign of peace or when we greet others before and after Mass. And we were told to avoid physical contact and to social distance from one another.

In Mark’s Gospel this weekend, we read about Jesus going to the home of Simon and Andrew, and while there, He heals Simon’s mother-in-law from a fever. He did this by simply taking her by the hand and helping her up. She was healed by the physical touch of the Lord. We can assume that the healing was immediate since she began to wait on their needs. Others in the area who were ill or possessed by demons were brought to Jesus. We read that Jesus healed many of various diseases and drove out many demons. The next day He set out to nearby villages to drive out demons and preach in the synagogues.

This first chapter of Mark is the beginning of Jesus’s public ministry and sets forth a kind of agenda for His future ministry – to preach, teach, and heal. This is the example our priests and deacons use today. And this is our role as well by virtue of our baptism. Through baptism you have been commissioned and empowered to bring healing to others by feeding the hungry, sheltering the poor, and bringing comfort to the sick, among other corporal works of mercy. Have the courage today to make a difference in your community by joining a parish ministry or outreach that brings comfort and healing to those who need it most.

Bishop Gregory Parkes



## **ASH WEDNESDAY FEB 17th 2021**

### **Mass Schedule:**

8:00am Mass followed by Imposition of Ash

9:30 ECC Children

11AM– Mass followed by Imposition of Ash

4PM– Mass followed by Imposition of Ash

7PM– Stations of the Cross & Imposition of Ash

Drive by Communion 11:15 AM

Ash Imposition 4:15 PM

## Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Reading I** [Jb 7:1-4, 6-7](#) Job spoke, saying: Is not man's life on earth a drudgery? Are not his days those of hirelings? He is a slave who longs for the shade, a hireling who waits for his wages. So I have been assigned months of misery, and troubled nights have been allotted to me.

If in bed I say, "When shall I arise?" then the night drags on; I am filled with restlessness until the dawn. My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle; they come to an end without hope. Remember that my life is like the wind; I shall not see happiness again.

**Responsorial Psalm** [Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6](#) **R. (cf. 3a) Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted.** or: **R. Alleluia.** Praise the LORD, for he is good; sing praise to our God, for he is gracious; it is fitting to praise him. The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem; the dispersed of Israel he gathers. **R. Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted.**

or: **R. Alleluia.** He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. He tells the number of the stars; he calls each by name.

**R. Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted.**

or: **R. Alleluia.** Great is our Lord and mighty in power; to his wisdom there is no limit. The LORD sustains the lowly; the wicked he casts to the ground. **R. Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted.**

or: **R. Alleluia.**

**Reading II** [1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23](#) Brothers and sisters: If I preach the gospel, this is no reason for me to boast, for an obligation has been imposed on me, and woe to me if I do not preach it! If I do so willingly, I have a recompense, but if unwillingly, then I have been entrusted with a stewardship. What then is my recompense? That, when I preach, I offer the gospel free of charge so as not to make full use of my right in the gospel.

Although I am free in regard to all, I have made myself a slave to all so as to win over as many as possible. To the weak I became weak, to win over the weak. I have become all things to all, to save at least some. All this I do for the sake of the gospel, so that I too may have a share in it.

**Alleluia** [Mt 8:17](#) **R. Alleluia, alleluia.** Christ took away our infirmities and bore our diseases. **R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Gospel** [Mk 1:29-39](#) On leaving the synagogue Jesus entered the house of Simon and Andrew with James and John. Simon's mother-in-law lay sick with a fever. They immediately told him about her. He approached, grasped her hand, and helped her up. Then the fever left her and she waited on them. When it was evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by demons. The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons, not permitting them to speak because they knew him. Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed. Simon and those who were with him pursued him and on finding him said, "Everyone is looking for you." He told them, "Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also."

## LITURGICAL LIFE

# RESPONDING *to the Call*

### EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

#### Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

##### The Audacity of Holiness

Do you know a holy person? I'm not talking about piety — that's important, too, in its own way. But right now, I'm speaking of holiness.

St. Therese of Lisieux called holiness "a disposition of the heart that makes us humble and little in the arms of God, aware of our weakness, and confident — in the most audacious way — in His Fatherly goodness."

The holy person sees a storm on the horizon of life, and rather than give themselves over to fear and despair (natural and understandable reactions), regards the gathering winds as an opportunity to rely more fully on God. The holy person takes a bad situation and sanctifies it with charity and understanding that defies our fallen human nature.

Peter's mother-in-law was still in the throes of a fever when Jesus grasped her hand. It wasn't until she took his hand and allowed him to help her up that "the fever left her and she waited on them." Before the fever could leave her, she had to commit to holiness — to put her trust in him in a most audacious way. She had to find it within herself to lift her weakened hand to grasp his — and as soon as she did, she was rewarded. Her bodily health restored, she gave thanks, and attended to his needs.

God's hand is always outstretched to us. Will we take it, even if the fever of sin and pride and worldly concerns rages in our souls? Will we muster the strength? Will we be audacious enough to have confidence in His Fatherly goodness?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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### WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained:

#### Question:

Is it ever Ok to leave Mass before it ends?

#### Answer:

This is an interesting question because beneath the surface there seems to be an assumption that if it's okay, then why do we have to stay after we receive communion? The short answer is "no," but we definitely want to go a bit deeper as we consider why.

First, when we think about questions like this, we must consider this in adult terms. If there is something gravely important that we need to do, then we must attend to that. However, if it is a matter of convenience or preference, then we really have to stop and think again. First, while we always want to recognize the importance of sacramental communion in the Mass, we also need to understand how important the time of thanksgiving and prayer after communion is. This is summarized in the Prayer After Communion offered by the celebrant and then we are also commissioned to "Go forth" during the Dismissal of the Mass, reminding us that we have been entrusted with a gift — the Word of God and the Presence of Christ in the sacrament — and that we are to share that gift with others.

If we simply leave after we receive communion, we risk two things. First, there is the possibility that we will turn our reception of communion into a purely personal, individual experience that is separated from our common experience of worship — and communion in the fullest sense — and, second, we lose an opportunity for gratitude and serious reflection if we simply leave after communion. This time of thanksgiving, reflection, and, ultimately, missioning, are important and, in the end, an essential part of the celebration of the Mass.

# GROWING

WITH THE *Gospel* CYCLE B



## COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



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### Sharing the Gospel

Simon Peter's mother-in-law was sick in bed with a fever. Jesus went to her. He took hold of her hand and helped her up. The fever left her. She felt so good, she cooked them a nice meal to celebrate. Neighbors brought all of their sick loved ones to be cured. When we pray today, Jesus still comes to those who are sick and heals them. He cures through doctors, nurses, medicines, and machines.

### Prayer

Lord, heal my family and friends who are sick today.

### Something to Draw

Draw a sick lady lying in bed. Then draw her cooking supper when cured.

### Mission for the Week

I will make get well cards for three sick people in our church.

**Magnificat of St. Petersburg** invites all women to a morning "VISITATION", on Saturday, February 20, 2021, from 9:30 AM–12:00 Noon, in the Cathedral of St. Jude the Apostle, 5801 Fifth Avenue North, St. Petersburg, FL 33710. Optional parish Mass will be held at 8:15 AM. Contact us by February 15th, by email to: [magnificatofstpetersburg@gmail.com](mailto:magnificatofstpetersburg@gmail.com), or text to Linda at (727) 415-2693, or Jane (727) 452-7404.

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<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Intentions</i>	<i>Office</i>
Sat, 2/6	4:00pm	† Lillian Ames † Marge Savoca	Closed
Sun, 2/7	8:00am  10:00am  4:00pm	† Danny Mercado † William Gargiulo † Stanislawa Pasciak † Francoise De Lorimier For the parish family	Closed
Mon, 2/8	8:00am	† Kathy, John & Mikayla Abernethy	8:30am-12pm
Tues, 2/9	8:00am	† George & Douglas Krissingner † Annette Prevost	8:30am-12pm
Wed, 2/10	8:00am	Grandchildren of the John Mercado Family † Joseph A Falcone, Sr	8:30am-12pm
Thurs, 2/11	8:00am	† Hans & Rita Dara † Ruben Useche	8:30am-12pm
Fri, 2/12			8:30am-12pm
Sat, 2/13	4:00pm	† Heda Soldo † Maureen Riley	Closed

## Communal Reconciliation Service

Feb 6th & 7th  
30 minutes before the start of Mass.

## Private Confessions

Feb 13th, 20th & 27th  
from 2:30-3:45pm in the church office- in order to practice social distancing.

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